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Cascade County Mental Health Local Advisory Council

Agenda

Monday, September 14, 2020
Zoom Virtual meeting
3:00 pm -5:00 pm



PUBLIC COMMENT STATEMENT: In accordance with 2-3-103(1), MCA, the Board will hold a public comment period. The Open Forum is the public's opportunity to address the Board on any public mental health issue. While the Board cannot take action on the issues presented, the Board will listen to comments and may place the issue on a subsequent agenda for possible action. The Chairperson of the meeting determines the amount of time allotted for public comment

Members Present: Amee Ellsworth, Shawn Matsko, Linda Daggett, Ginny Carnes, Jane Weber, Jennifer Whitfield, John Schaffer, Greg Tilton

Guests Present: Susie McIntyre

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Amee Ellsworth, Chair, at 3:04 PM via Zoom. Welcome and Introductions were made, John Schaffer was welcomed as a member since his appointment was approved by the County Commission.

Minutes from August Meeting: The August 3rd meeting minutes were approved as emailed.

Review updated Strategic Plan:

Strategic Plan Committee Reports: None of the committees met during this time so there were no reports. This was tabled until the October meeting to give more time for groups to meet.

Goal #1 Convene and Collaborate

1. Resource Guide: Reformatting and State funding, Jennifer, Ginny
2. Executive Committee Report Amee, Jane
3. Review County and State Health Improvement Plan: Progress on the CHIP *Healthy Lives Vibrant Futures* Resource Guide
4. Events/speakers bureau Greg and Jane

Goal #2 Communication and Marketing

1. Media Marketing Plan Greg, Amee
2. Rural Outreach
3. Libraries interested in behavioral health presentations/information. Greg, Jane
4. Extension Service presentation to the LAC.

Goal #3 Evaluation

1. Develop a pre and post evaluation of Goal #2 Greg, Amee

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Representative Reports

Crisis Services: Crisis Steering Committee, CRT (Crisis Response Team)- Jennifer and John reported that the Crisis Steering Committee met last week:

- Jennifer forwarded the CRT activity data to the members earlier. It is showing the CRT to be effective as a jail or ER diversion.
- They submitted a grant request to the State last May together with Alluvion, Center for Mental Health but have not heard back yet. The grant for \$750,000 would help fund Mental Health Treatment Court, employ 20 people to assist with developing and follow through with that, use Peer Support as part of the follow-up.
- The Crisis Response Team met with Alluvion to develop a brochure to give to officers not always involved with what the Crisis Response Team does.
- CRT would like to be part of the Montana Crime Prevention Conference.

Suicide Prevention Committee- No report at this time.

CSAA (Central Service Area Authority) report- Ginny reported there was no quorum at the last meeting, but there was discussion about:

- Requesting a stipend for board members, but the bylaws prevent that.
- They are concerned about the loss of support from AMDD, that the group is in flux.
- They do have \$20,000 to be distributed to the LACs on a percentage basis, according to the population of the area they serve.

Community Reports:

Center for Mental Health- Jennifer reported:

- There is a second new APRN medication prescriber at the Center and a Behavioral Health Coordinator.
- New Directions and all programs including telehealth and the school-based program are continuing to run at the Center.

Benefis Behavioral Health- Amee reported that they are adding a Peer Support Specialist to their Team.

Announcements from Board Members:

Board Resignations-

- Dusti Zimmer submitted her resignation as a Provider to the LAC. ***Jane Weber made motion to accept Dusti's resignation and Ginny seconded. Motion passed.***
- Robert Moccasin submitted his resignation as a Law Enforcement position on the LAC. ***Jane made a motion to accept Robert's resignation and Linda seconded. The motion passed.***

John Schaffer Appointment- Amee reported that the County Commission approved John's appointment as Law enforcement on the LAC. He was welcomed.

Life with COVID-

- Amee suggested we consider having the meetings in person using all the precautions in a space that was big enough. It was the consensus of the group that we continue to meet via Zoom for now.
- Amee reinforced the importance of the work that needs to be done by the LAC. Her plan is to meet with the core groups to further our work on the goals set out by the strategic planning.

LAC Attendance- Jane and Amee will personally contact a few members to encourage their attendance.

Public Comment: No public comment.

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned by Amee at 3:55 PM. Next meeting October 5, 2020

Respectfully Submitted,



Jane Weber, County Commissioner and Acting Chair

October 7, 2020
Date